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ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN FULL SWING.

CONSERVATIVE MAJORITY PREDICTED.

MR. CHURCHILL GETS A ROWDY RECEPTION.

(Reuter's Service)

London, December 3.
With the election campaign in its last stage, party experts are indulging in forecasts, including unopposed returns, as follows:—
The Conservatives estimate that there will be 332 Conservatives; 157 Liberals; 120 Labour; and six others.
The Liberals estimate that the new Parliament will comprise 248 Conservatives; 240 Liberals; 120 Labour; and seven others.
The Labourites' estimate is as follows: 310 Conservatives; 139 Liberals; 160 Labour; and six others.
The wide divergence between the Conservative and Liberal estimates is due to a difference of opinion with regard to the outcome of 273 three-cornered contests.

Except among Liberal optimists there is a consensus of opinion that there will be a Conservative majority. The only question is whether it will be sufficient to carry out the policy of Protection.

All parties during the next three days will strive to win a slight advantage which may mean so much.
The centre of gravity remains the industrial North, particularly Lancashire, where the unionists are intensifying their efforts. Mr. Baldwin is speaking to an audience of 8,000 to-night, while Lord Derby and Lord Birkenhead are addressing a great meeting in Free Trade Hall Manchester. Mr. Lloyd George is making a raid on East Anglia, where the Liberals hope to win some of the agricultural seats from the Conservatives.

Mr. Asquith's Confidence.

London, December 3.
Mr. Asquith, in a speech at the Glasgow Liberal Club, denounced election rowdiness. He said he was sure it was repugnant to the Labour leaders. While he would not hazard a conjecture with regard to the precise composition of the new House of Commons, he was reasonably confident that Mr. Baldwin would not get a majority adequate to de-throne Free Trade in Britain. (Cheers).

Mr. Lloyd George Optimistic.

London, December 3.
In a speech at Cambridge railway station, whilst en route to Norwich, Mr. Lloyd George declared that whatever the result of the election, Liberalism would win such a triumph as it had not won for many a day.

"Good Old Mac"

London, December 3.
Remarkable scenes were witnessed at a meeting addressed by Mr. Churchill at Finsbury Park Empire Music Hall this afternoon. A crowd of rowdies tried to prevent him speaking and their "boos" competed with the cheers of his supporters for several minutes. Eventually, Mr. Churchill obtained a hearing but was constantly interrupted. Mr. Churchill rebuked the interrupters, declaring that they were striking at the foundation of democracy. A reference by Mr. Churchill to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald evoked opposition cheers and cries of "Good Old Mac" and "Up Ramsay".

Mr. Churchill Too Good for Hecklers.

London, December 3.
Mr. Churchill's London tour continued to be characterized by lively heckling, especially on the subject of the Dardanelles, but the speaker's neat sallies triumphed at Shepherd's Bush and Walthamstow, notably the latter, where the audience threatened to eject the interrupters.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, speaking at Aberavon, denied that a willingness to leave the working out of Capital Levy to Treasury officials was weakening his opinion. He pointed out the Manchester Liberal Conference approved the principle of a levy in 1919.

"The Head Dog Fight"

London, December 3.
Mr. Baldwin, in the final speech of his national campaign at Liverpool met with an enthusiastic reception. He stated that the real dog fight of the election is between the Liberals and Labour. The Premier said he was convinced that if the Labour Party did not exist, the majority of Labour voters would rather vote for a change in the fiscal policy than a "wait and see" policy. He added:—"If I get a mandate from the country, I mean to carry it out to the full."

Warning to Trusts.

London, December 3.
The Cabinet members, Sir Samuel Hoare and Sir P. Lloyd George, speaking at Chelsea and Hull respectively, stated that the Government had decided that if combines were formed as a result of the tariff, they would remove the tariff and proceed against such trusts.

POLITICAL TACTICS.

U.S. CONGRESS HAMPERED.

Washington, December 3.
Congress opened at midday, and has to face an almost unparalleled situation owing to the conflicting aims of different groups. The progressive bloc, which claims to wield the balance of power, is prepared to fight determinedly for the enactment of its own programme, which includes the reorganization of committees. Disagreements on this point may delay the opening of proceedings.

Washington, December 3.
In the House of Representatives the Progressive bloc will make good its threat to create a deadlock over the election of the Speaker. No candidate has received the necessary majority over all others in the first ballot.

Washington, December 3.
After four ballots, none of which resulted in the election of a Speaker, the House adjourned until to-morrow.

THE P. & O. ANNUAL REPORT.

FOUR NEW MAIL STEAMERS.

London, December 3.
The annual report of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company shows that after providing for depreciation and adding £105,000 to the Insurance Fund, making it £2,200,000, there is a credit balance of £817,000 on the year's accounts, including £101,000 brought forward. A dividend of five per cent. is declared on the preferred shares and twelve per cent. on the deferred. A sum of £123,000 is placed to reserve for the redemption of the 5½ per cent. debentures, £10,000 is added to the provision fund, and £101,000 is carried forward.
The report mentions that Messrs. Harland and Wolff and Harland & Wolff are building four fast steamers, each of sixteen knots, for the Indian mail service.

LOCAL TRAGEDY.

PORTUGUESE CLERK'S BODY FOUND.

RECOVERED FROM HARBOUR.

Police launches searching the harbour this morning cleared up a mystery concerning the disappearance of Mr. J. J. dos P. Gosano, a clerk employed at the Hongkong Shanghai Bank. Mr. Gosano's dead body was found floating in the harbour near Kowloon this morning, confirming the worst fears his family and friends had felt since his disappearance during the week-end. The deceased, who was detained at the Bank last Friday evening on account of urgent work connected with the monthly balancing of accounts, was known to leave at 9.30 that night, but he did not proceed home. Anxiety grew with his continued absence, a report was made to the police and in a search of the harbour waters the police discovered his dead body. Its condition showed it had been in the water for several days. The deceased, who had been very many years in the service of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, is survived by a widow and several children, with whom the deep sympathy is felt.

DISAPPEARED.

YOUNG GERMAN MISSING.

The disappearance of a young German was reported to the police to-day. Erich Goebel, 25, an engineer, native of Dresden, Germany, who recently arrived in the Colony, left his residence at No. 4 Broadwood Terrace, Happy Valley, on the morning of the 1st instant, and his absence since that date has caused much anxiety to his friends. One of these, Dr. E. Graef, of Reuter Bros. and Company, yesterday decided to inform the police, and in his report stated that the missing man was 5 feet 8 inches in height, with fair hair and blue eyes, and was clean shaven.

SHEKLUNG'S FLIGHT.

HOUSES AND SHOPS ROBBED.

Regarding the situation on the East River front, a report from Sheklung states that many shops and family houses there have been stripped by Yunnanese and Hunanese soldiers who have made their appearance at this place. The troops, it is said, accused the inhabitants of giving a cordial welcome to Chan King-min's forces recently. At present, there are about ten thousand of these Yunnanese and Hunanese troops in the town, and nearly all the Merchant Volunteers have been disarmed.

With regard to the dispute in the Heungshan district regarding the post of magistrate, Chu Cheuk-man, the present magistrate, after many conversations with Lam King-wan, the newly-appointed magistrate, has agreed to the latter taking over the position, on condition that only thirty men are allowed as bodyguards. At the same time, an official notice has been published that in view of the present serious situation no forces of any description are to be permitted to enter the territory. It is, however, reported that both the former and the new magistrate have enlisted bandits and that they propose to fight for the position.

A report from Shiu Lum, a market town in the Heungshan district, states that the place has again been captured by Yuen Tai, who has seized the opportunity presented by the withdrawal of the troops to do so. A party of

OUR UNIVERSITY.

NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR APPOINTED.

BROTHER OF LOCAL RESIDENT.

News has been officially conveyed to us to-day that Mr. William Woodward Hornell, C.I.E., is to be the new Vice-Chancellor of Hongkong University in succession to Sir William Brunyate, K.C.M.G. The appointment was made at a meeting of the Court of the University held yesterday, and the new Vice-Chancellor is expected to arrive in Hongkong in February next, about a week before Sir William Brunyate departs.

The new Vice-Chancellor has held the post of Director of Public Instruction, Bengal, since 1913 and has been Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bengal since 1920. He was also a Member of the Calcutta University Commission which sat from 1917 to 1919.

A son of the late Mr. Robert Hornell, Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple, the new Vice-Chancellor is also a brother of Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, well-known in Hongkong as the Secretary of the China Sugar Refinery Company, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Born in September, 1878, then Vice-Chancellor was educated at Radley and Trinity College, Oxford. In 1901 he received his first appointment in the Indian Educational Service, his career in that Service being: Professor of English, Presidency College, Calcutta, 1902; Inspector of European Schools, Bengal, 1903; and Assistant Director of Public Instruction, Bengal, 1906. In 1908, Mr. Hornell resigned from the Service and joined the Board of Education, Whitehall, serving under Mr. Augustine Birrell as Assistant Director of Special Enquiries and Reports until 1910, and in 1911 being appointed as Secretary of the Imperial Education Conference. In 1913, Mr. Hornell rejoined the Indian Educational Service as Director of Public Instruction, which post he gives up to come to Hongkong.

He was decorated with a Commander's badge of the most Eminent order of the Indian Empire in 1918.

CHINA PONIES.

JOCKEY CLUB TAKES ACTION ON DEFINITION.

It will be remembered that a few days ago we reported that a strong difference of opinion had arisen between certain owners of race ponies and the Stewards of the Jockey Club in consequence of the admission to racing of certain ponies not true to the China Pony type and possessing a greater turn of speed than those usually raced. The Jockey Club has, apparently, taken notice of the complaint lodged, for, as appears from an advertisement in to-day's issue, an extraordinary general meeting of the Club has been called for Wednesday afternoon next, December 12th, following the half-yearly meeting.

At such extraordinary meeting, resolutions will be proposed laying down that a China pony is a horse measuring 13 hands 3 inches and under, and that any China Pony which measures over such height will be ineligible to compete in any race reserved for China Ponies. It is also proposed to add the following new rule:—"The Stewards must refuse to enter any Pony which in their opinion is not a China Pony, but their decision must be supported by a board of five members any or all of whom may be Stewards. The decision of the board shall be final." If such new rule is passed, it shall not apply to ponies which have already been run in races or gyrfans.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

LADY WINS \$50.

Only two of the three matches contained on our coupon last week were played. This circumstance favoured the competitors, but, notwithstanding, only one succeeded in correctly forecasting the goal-scores of the two games played. The successful competitor was:—

MISS LINA GOMES.

10, Austin Avenue, Kowloon.

The prize of \$50 therefore goes to this lady, and, if she will call at the Telegraph office, we shall be pleased to hand her the sum named.

BILLIARDS.

A WIN FOR EASMA.

The match between the Easma Club and the Dockyard, in the Hongkong Billiards Association competition, was concluded last evening, the former winning by 1,445 to 1,288. The detailed scores are as follows:—

DOCKYARD.

S. E. Alderman	148
A. Oswick	183
R. T. Taylor	247
W. Burd	243
R. D. Spanton	212
G. Pile	250

EASMA.

A. E. Knight	250
R. Earnshaw	250
H. Davis	250
A. G. White	250
B. V. Murray	250
W. H. Sheppard	195

TO-NIGHT'S MATCH.

To-night and to-morrow night the Club de Recreio are to play the Catholic Men's Club at the V.R.C., when the former will be represented by Messrs. E. Remedios, F. Barrados, F. Silva, J. Ribeiro, J. Lopes and P. A. Yvanovich.

TO-DAY.

Closing Exchange 2s. 3. 11/16.
Barometer 2 p.m. 30.19
Temperature 2 p.m. 67
Humidity 2 p.m. 50
High Tide 6.40 p.m. Low Water 0.14 p.m.
Lighting Up-Time 5.39 p.m.

NEWS IN THE ADS.

The new school year at St. Stephen's College begins on Monday, December 10th, on which day there will be an entrance examination. —Page 4.

The Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of the China Light and Power Co. (1918) Ltd., will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, on December 20th. —Page 4.

A meeting of members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders will take place at the Institute on Wednesday, December 5th, to make arrangements for the Annual Ball. —Page 4.

A second call has been made on the shares of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company. —Page 4.

The half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will take place in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and not at the Hongkong Club as previously notified. —Page 4.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held on the 12th, to consider the correct description of a China Pony. —Page 4.

TO-DAY'S SPECIAL CABLES.

[United Press Service to the "Telegraph."]

DEADLOCK IN U. S. CONGRESS.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS DELAYED.

Washington, December 3.
Congress has convened but is likely to experience a deadlock for several days because of the Progressives' demand for larger Committee representation. As a result, President Coolidge's address has been delayed.
Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Immigration Committee, will immediately offer a Bill restricting immigration to two per cent. of resident nationals, instead of the present three per cent.

REUTER'S CABLES.

COALPIT DISASTER AT SHEFFIELD.

MEN HURLED TO THEIR DEATH.

London, December 3.
It is reported that forty men have been killed in the Nunnery coal-pit, at Sheffield. Tubs containing 176 men were hurled to the bottom of the pit-shaft owing to a rope breaking. Ambulances and doctors have been rushed to the pithead, where there is a large crowd. Hitherto two men have been rescued, seriously injured.
A train of twenty to thirty tubs, each containing about four men, was being drawn up the inclined road conveying the men from the pit bottom to work when the rope snapped, and the train dashed back at terrific speed for several hundred yards. The men had no chance to jump clear, and tubs and passengers were hurled together with terrific force. Six bodies have hitherto been brought up, some unrecognisable. A dozen men have been sent to hospital.

Later.
The Nunnery disaster is less serious than was previously anticipated. Rescue work has been completed, and all the bodies have been recovered except two, which are literally cut in half. The final list of casualties gives seven killed and 36 injured.

A REMISSION OF SENTENCE.

NEW YORK COMPTROLLER'S CASE.

Washington, December 3.
President Coolidge has granted "executive clemency" to Comptroller Craig, the chief financial officer of New York City, who was sentenced to two months' imprisonment for contempt of court. A remission of the sentence has been granted on the recommendation of the Secretary of Justice. The President said the decision was solely due to the public necessity of keeping Mr. Craig in his post as comptroller. He condemned the Comptroller's conduct in criticising the Federal Courts of New York. The President's action has removed what promised to develop into a national political issue. Certain political leaders of both parties had sharply criticized the severity of the sentence passed on Mr. Craig, who refused to recant his statements, made four years ago, reflecting on Judge Mayer's handling of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit receivership, which Mr. Craig alleged was seriously prejudicial to the city's interest.

INTER-VARSITY EVENTS.

OXFORD DEFEAT CAMBRIDGE.

London, December 3.
In the Inter-Varsity relay races at Oxford, Cambridge were beaten by Oxford by four events to one.
The track was in bad condition, but the Oxonians, who included five Americans, ran brilliantly. They won the half mile in 1.31 and one fifth, an Inter-Varsity record, the mile in 3.27 and one fifth, another Inter-Varsity record, the four miles in 18.44 and four fifths, and the 480 yds. hurdles in 1.7 and two fifths. Cambridge won the two miles in 8.6 and two fifths.

MURDER OF BRITISH POLITICAL OFFICER.

Delhi, December 3.

Particulars of the murder of Major H.E. Finnis show that he was mortally wounded towards Manikpura to attend a meeting, but owing to a mistake the Zhooley corps was not ordered to guard the dangerous spots in the Hassanpura Pass, where several tribal limits meet. The car was fired on as it entered the pass, and Major Finnis and the driver were instantaneously shot.

AMERICAN MORTALITY FIGURES.

Washington, December 3.
There were 11,956 deaths from motor-car accidents in the United States last year, an increase of 1,428 compared with the previous year.
Los Angeles had the highest death rate, 29 decimal 5, and New York's was 15 decimal 3.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST OFFICIAL.

Indianapolis, December 3.

Governor McCray has been served with warrants for his appearance to answer eight indictments for forgery and embezzlement. His friends have furnished twenty-five thousand dollars bail.

ANOTHER IRISH AFFRAY.

London, December 3.

A septuagenarian farmer named Brennan was shot dead and his nephew dangerously wounded during an affray at Grange, Co. Sligo. A number of arrests has been made.

U. S. AERIAL EXPEDITION TO NORTH POLE.

Washington, December 3.

The Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Denby, has announced that definite plans have been drawn up for a naval aerial expedition to the North Pole next summer.

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EARLIER SPECIAL CABLES.

[United Press Service to the Telegraph.]

THE SHIPPING BOARD.

Washington, Dec. 3.

The U. S. Shipping Board, in its annual report to Congress,
urges a subsidy for private ownership and operation of vessels,
otherwise a preferential tariff will be necessary to maintain the
merchant marine under private operation, which is declared more
efficient and cheap.

U. S. WARSHIP COMMISSIONED.

Norfolk, Dec. 3.

The battleship West Virginia has been commissioned, replacing
the North Dakota, which may be scrapped.

REUTERS' CABLES.

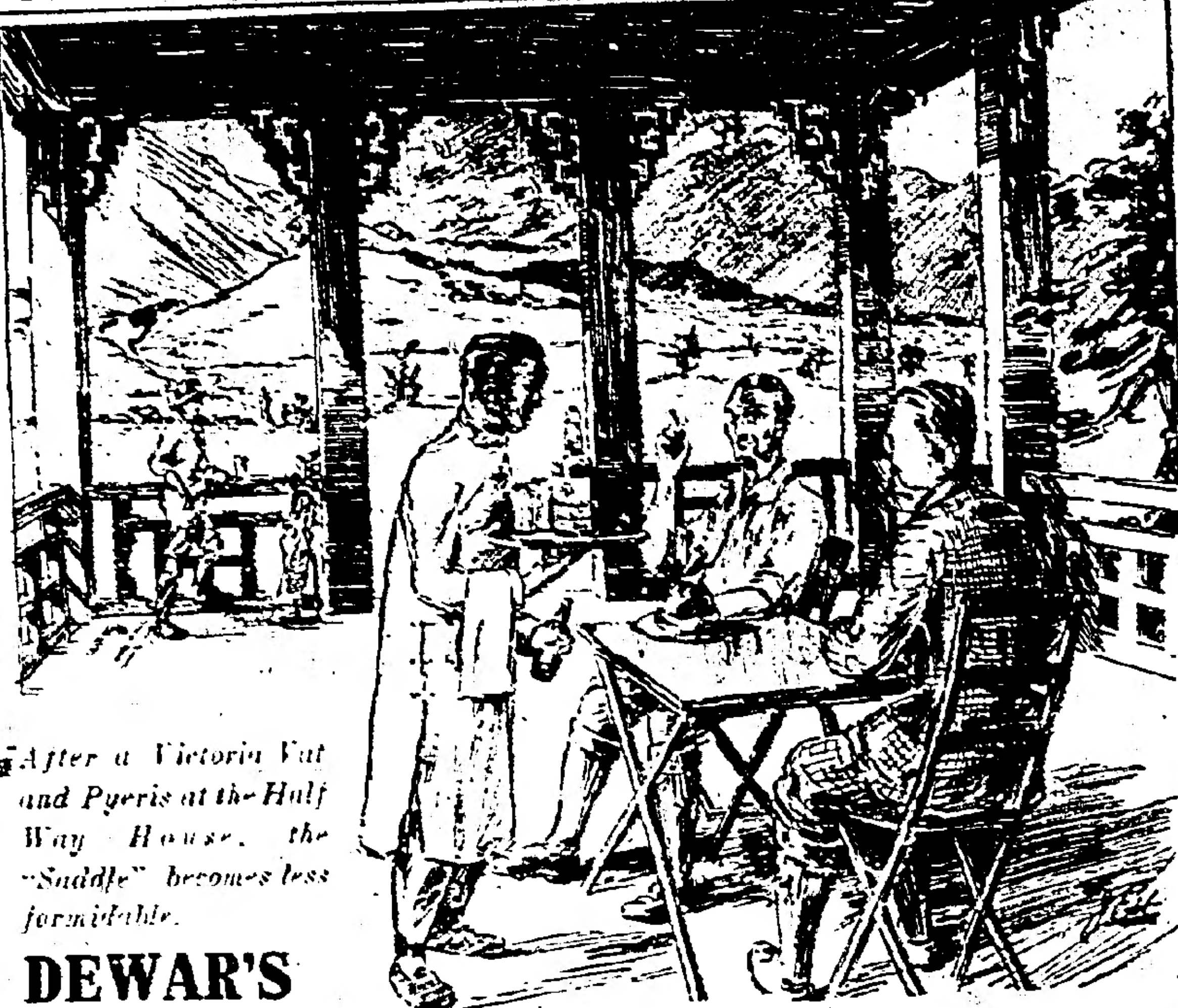
LIQUOR SMUGGLING CONFERENCE.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.

The American-Canadian liquor smuggling conference has ended.
Its conclusions have not been announced but it is understood that
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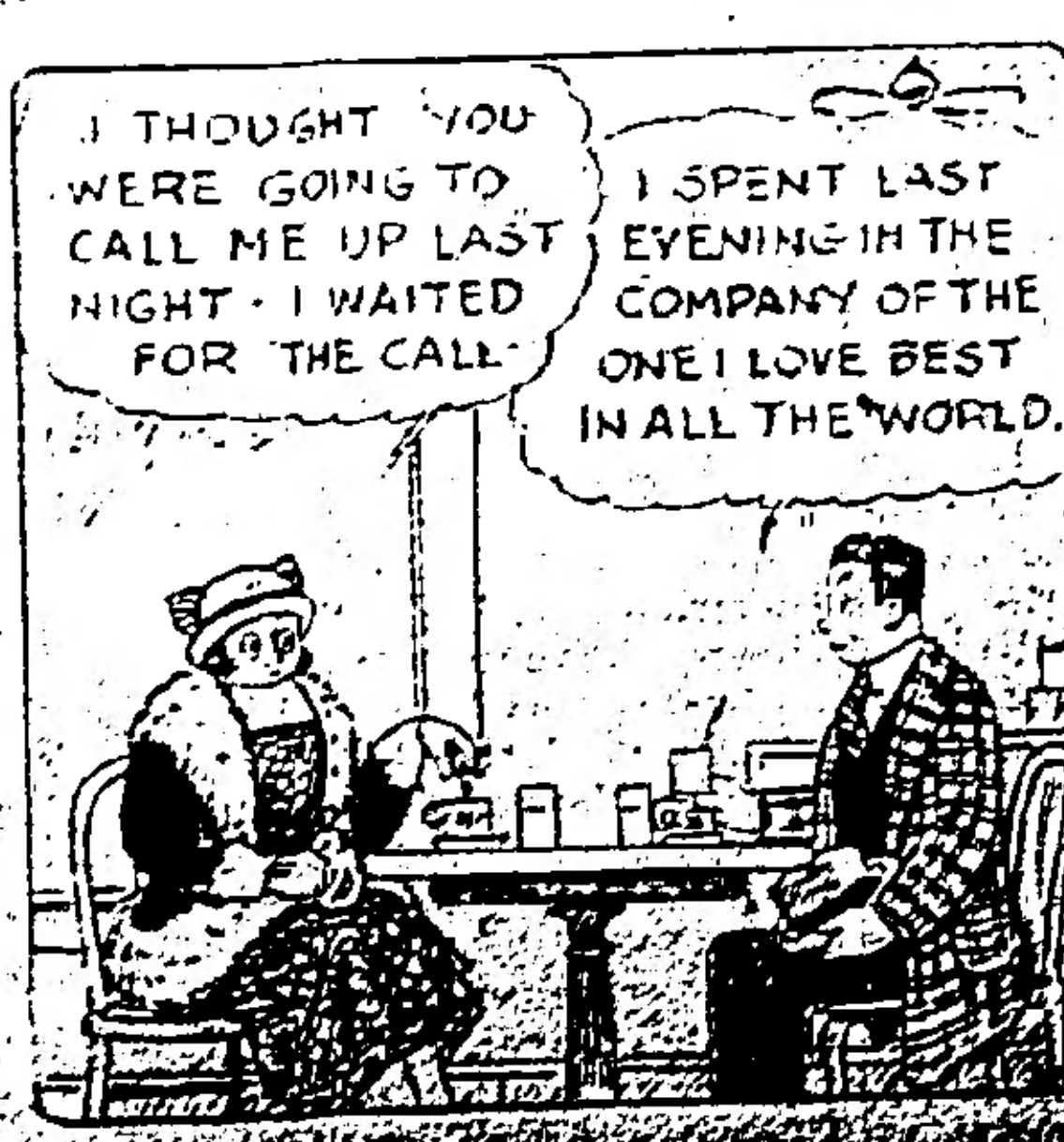
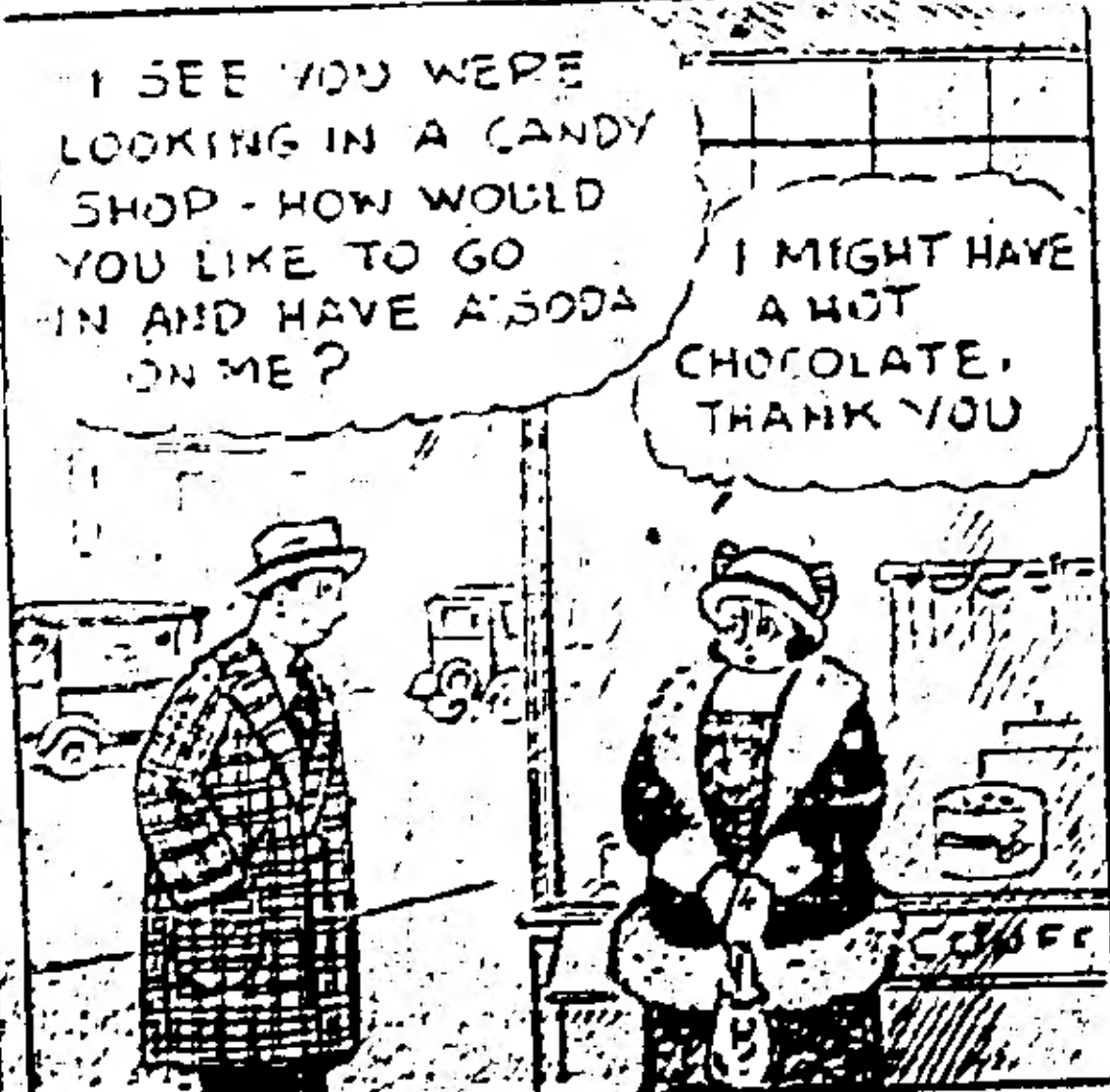
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THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER Co., (1918), Ltd.

THE Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20th, December, 1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st September, 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 7th, December, 1923, until Thursday, the 20th, December, 1923, both days inclusive. SHEWAN TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 30th, November, 1923.

AN experienced American motor car driver, possessing a sound knowledge of motor car engines, desires a position in the capacity of chauffeur. Can go to work immediately. Apply Box No. 1094 "Hongkong Telegraph."

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December, 1923, at 5.15 p.m., immediately after the half-yearly meeting, for the purpose of proposing the following resolutions as extraordinary resolutions:

(1) That the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be amended by adding after Rule No. 11 the following Rule:

11a. A China pony is a horse measuring 13 hands 3 inches and under.

(2) That the said Rules of Racing be amended by striking out Rule No. 77 and substituting the following:

(3) That Rule No. 34 of the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.

(4) That Rule No. 76 of the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.

77. The weight for China Ponies according to the term "weight for inches as per scale" shall be 140 pounds for 12 hands with an additional 3 pounds for every complete inch above that height. Fractions of an inch to count in favour of the pony.

Any China Pony which measures over 13 hands 3 inches "dead" to be ineligible to compete in any race reserved for China Ponies.

77a. The Stewards must refuse to enter any Pony which in their opinion is not a China Pony, but their decision must be supported by a board of 5 Members any or all of whom may be Stewards.

The decision of the board shall be final.

Should the above Rule No. 77 be passed, it is resolved that the same shall not apply to Ponies which have run in Official races in Hongkong and/or in Gymkhanas in Hongkong up to and including the 1st of December, 1923.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE half-yearly General Meeting of Members will be held on Wednesday 12th December 1923 at 5 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Limited.

INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

A Meeting of members will take place in the Institute Wednesday, 5th, December, at 6 p.m. to make arrangements for the Annual Ball.

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SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Manager.

Dated 1st, December 1923.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 5 Queen's Road, Central, Victoria, Hongkong, at noon on the 18th day of December, 1923, when the sub-joined resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution that is to say:—

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on the 4th day of January, 1924, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A further Resolution will be proposed at the second meeting for the appointment of a Liquidator or Liquidators for the purposes of such winding up and fixing his or their remuneration.

L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary to

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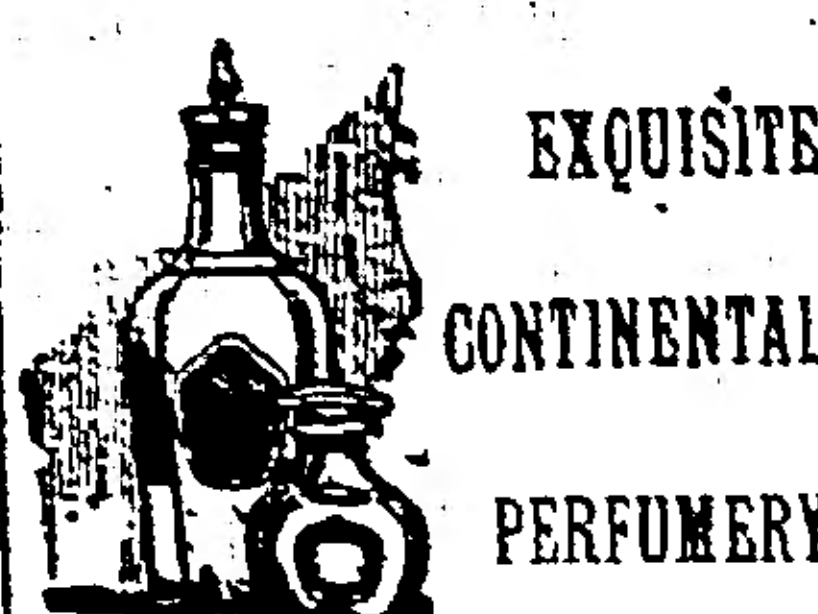
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By Order of the Board,
TIENMU R. LIN,
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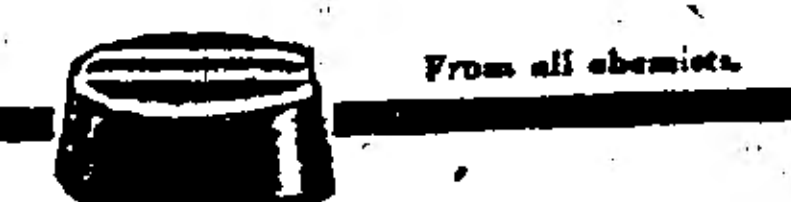
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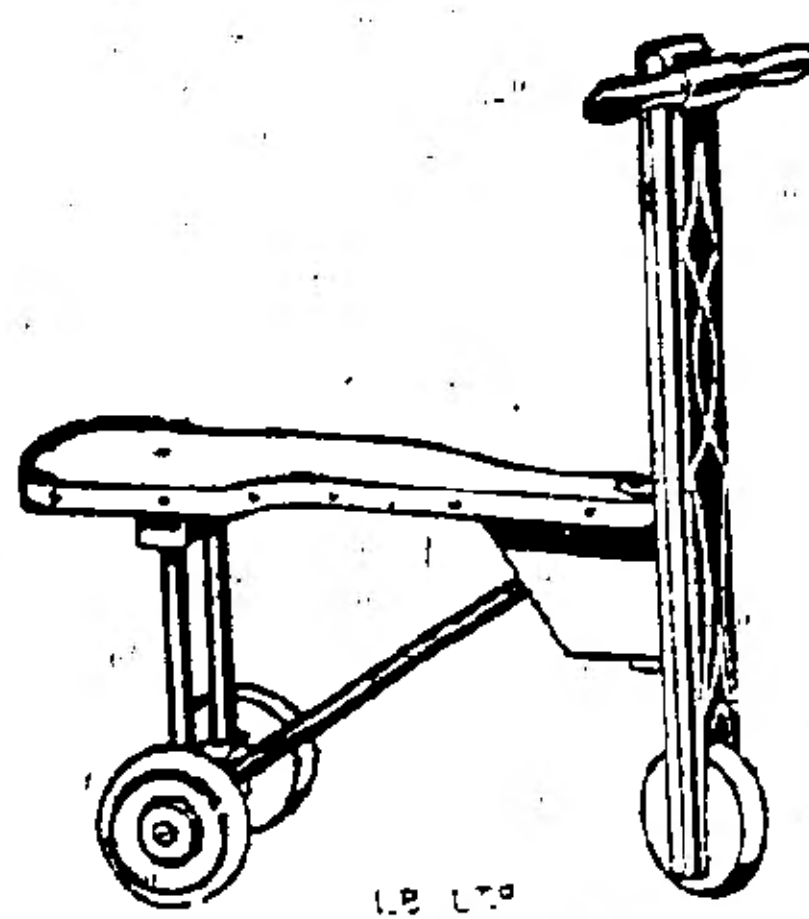
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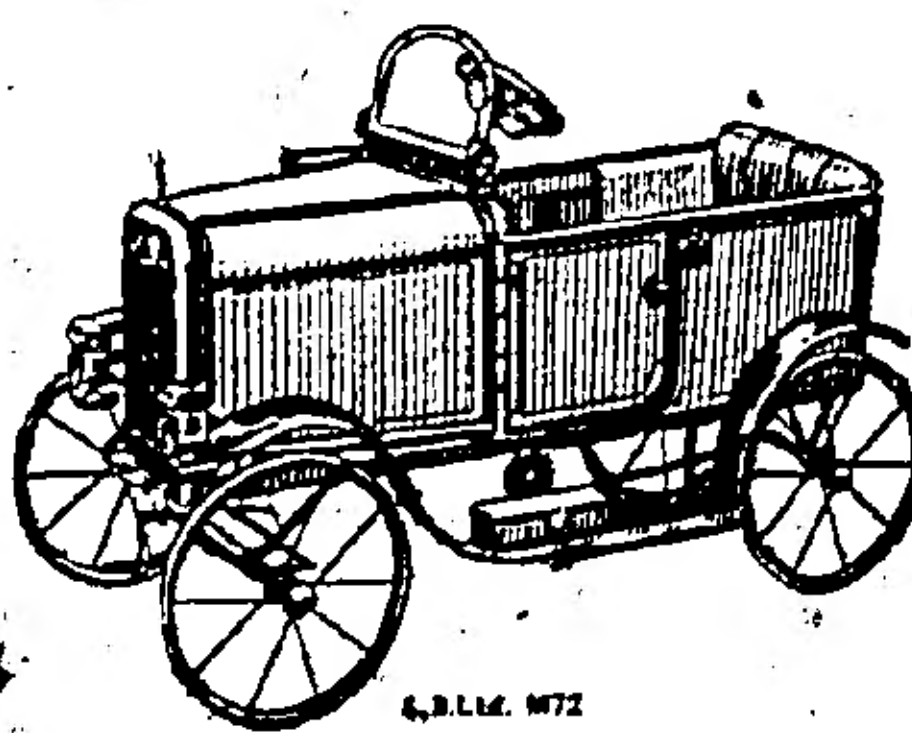
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The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 4th Dec., 1923.

CROWN COLONY DEVELOPMENT.

Now that the Imperial Conference is over, we are left to wonder what will transpire regarding the future development of the Crown Colonies, amongst which Hongkong occupies a prominent place. It is true that we do not come under the heading of these Crown Colonies which contribute to any great extent to the Empire's raw materials, but as the distributing centre for a great Oriental market we have a big role to fill in the disposal of manufactured goods. In time, also, we may figure much more prominently than at present as a producing centre. We are deeply interested in any schemes looking to the development of Crown Colony resources, a subject which engaged the attention of the Imperial Conference delegates during their recent deliberations.

Indicative of the growing importance of the Crown Colonies and Protectorates is the fact that for the first time in the history of the Imperial Conferences a special representative was detailed to present the case of these possessions to the delegates. This was Mr. Ormsby Gore, who, in turn, had the assistance of an Advisory Committee formed from a number of leading persons engaged in trade with particular Colonies or groups of Colonies, this body advising him in an expert manner regarding commercial and other potentialities. Very little has, unfortunately, been made public with regard to the discussions engaged in and the decisions reached. In a speech to the delegates, Mr. Ormsby Gore dwelt on the necessity of co-operation in developing the resources of the Crown Colonies, and also referred to the need of better transport facilities, improved education, skilled direction of labour and the free application of private capital to new enterprises. All these matters are of the highest importance, and inasmuch as they are territories in which he was dealing cover an area of some two million square miles and have a population of fifty million people, it is obvious that co-operative development on scientific lines would lead to most striking results and the furtherance of inter-Imperial trade and commerce.

Although our hopes are somewhat dampened by past experience, we are trusting that something of real value to the Crown Colonies will result from the recent deliberations by Empire statesmen. The mischief is that, all too often, these Imperial Conferences end in little else than talk. The development of Crown Colonial resources was foreshadowed long ago, when special economic committees in Hongkong and elsewhere sat and investigated future possibilities. Nothing, however, has resulted from this movement, and we suppose the various reports are pigeon-holed somewhere in the official archives at Home. We commend to the local Chamber of Commerce the idea of getting into touch with Home interests on this all-important subject, in the hope that tangible results will follow the recent discussions.

Anti-Opium Campaign.

There has lately been a greatly increased outcry against the opium traffic, and it seems as if the anti-opium people are consolidating their forces for further attacks. The London Missionary Society has just passed resolutions condemning the compulsory opium-growing in China brought about by "military greed," and these have been sent to the Foreign Office and League of Nations. It is as well that the League should have its attention drawn to the root cause of the evil in China, so that instead of listening to the wonderful assurances of the Chinese delegate and then smugly deciding that the evil influences are outside the country, it can realise that reform will have to be internal before external influences are condemned. Considering what China is like to-day, with much power in the hands of men who accept dictation from nobody, we do not think the League or anybody else can suppress opium smoking in the country for years to come. Meanwhile the propaganda against exporting countries within the British Empire is gradually bringing about a cessation of the legitimate traffic, no doubt to the great joy of smugglers, cocaine manufacturers, and producers of home-grown opium. It would be amusing were it not really such a serious matter.

If the Conservatives Win.

There are indications that the present Government may possibly be returned at the forthcoming election with a fair majority, and it is interesting to speculate what this would mean for the protectionists. It is unlikely that the Conservative party will have such a big majority as to put through practically anything it wanted, without caring for the votes of the Opposition, and thus when protection comes to be introduced there is a possibility that it will be rejected. Even some of the Unionists are opposed to tariff reform, and are standing as Conservative free traders. It would be as well were the present Government to retain its power, for we do not want any further messing about with the country's foreign policy; but it is on the great question of domestic policy—protection or free trade—that the election is really being fought. The position of the Government would be anomalous indeed, to say the least, if it were returned to power and then failed to put through the very reform to which it is pledged. Altogether the situation is one of unusual interest, not only to Britain but to the whole coterie of outside observers.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

A highway robbery, in which a revolver was used to threaten the victim, occurred in the Kowloon district yesterday afternoon when near the No. 3 Railway Bridge. A P.W.D. coolie named Chung Tin was held up by two men and a sum of \$8 in ten-cent pieces stolen from him. On being released by the robbers, he went away, but later returned with a Chinese and an Indian constable. A chase then followed, ending in the capture of one of the men as they ran across King's Park in the direction of Yau-mat. The other man, who was believed to be the one who held the revolver, made good his escape.

DAY BY DAY.

THE PREVALENT CYNICISM IS THE GREATEST ENEMY OF WORLD RECOVERY.—The Archbishop of York.

The silk shipped per a.s. President Grant, which sailed from this port on November 6, arrived in New York on November 30, having been 24 days in transit.

Yesterday, a Chinese woman was knocked down in Queen's Road East by a taxicab and received a fracture in the right leg. She was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Yesterday's Rose Day collection exceeded all expectations, over \$5,305 being secured. Pupils of the French Convent collected \$530.50, whilst Mrs. F. W. James was the highest individual collector, securing \$196.70.

The usual Weekly Meeting of the Hongkong Lodge The Theosophical Society will be held at their Lodge, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday the 5th inst. at 5.45 p.m. The Meeting is open to all comers.—Advt.

Information has been received from His Britannic Majesty's Consul, Ningpo, that Hongkong and Canton have been declared to be small-pox infected, and that the usual quarantine regulations will be enforced against vessels arriving there.

A remarkably fine calendar has been produced by the Dunlop Rubber Company. It bears a wonderfully good imitation of an oil painting showing a scene at Monte Carlo, with a motor-car in the foreground equipped with Dunlop cord tyres.

The run of "Orphans of the Storm," the Griffith film featuring Dorothy and Lillian Gish, has been extended until Thursday, so strong has been the support afforded it. "Orphans of the Storm" is probably the most talked about picture ever shown at the "Little House," not even excepting the now famous "Mark of Zorro" and "Robin Hood."

OPERA BY RADIO.

SUCCESSFUL LOCAL EXPERIMENTS.

The experiments which the Radio Communication Co. (Orient), Ltd., are carrying out in the direct broadcasting of grand opera in Kowloon are meeting with great success. As was explained in yesterday's radio notes a small microphone has been installed in the Star Theatre, where the Italian Opera Company are appearing nightly, and this is connected to the Radio Communication Company's broadcasting set on the roof of the Kowloon Hotel.

Last night again, listeners-in greatly enjoyed the experience of sitting in their own homes and hearing numbers from the Opera Company's production of "Lucia di Lammermoor." So much is apparent from the following letter, signed by "Dot and Dash," which we received this morning:—

"Although we hold no brief for the Radio Communication Company, we feel that it is but just to express our appreciation of the excellent service they have performed for radio 'fans' of this Colony in broadcasting portions of grand opera now being given at the Star Theatre. The Radio Communication Company are to be congratulated for their enterprise which will undoubtedly do much to popularise radio in this Colony." The writers of this letter are two well-known residents of Kowloon.

We should like to add our own word of congratulation to the Company, which has given the Colony the first actual demonstration of direct broadcasting from a public musical performance. Those who possess receiving sets should make a point of listening in to-night, when "La Boheme" will be on the air.

The Radio Communication Company is doing excellent work in proving the possibilities of broadcasting locally. Each night it gives gramophone selections, followed by news items from the Telegraph, in addition to which a series of much-appreciated Morse code lessons have been sent through the air.

THE BIG BAZAAR.

SATURDAY'S SOCIAL FUNCTION.

Arrangements are now practically complete for the Charity Bazaar and Fete in Government House grounds next Saturday, when it is hoped that generous support of Hongkong's annual appeal for women's and children's charities in the Colony and at Home will be received. This bazaar is the climax of a year's work by the Hongkong Women's Guild and the Ministering Children's League. Apart from the great co-operative effort on "The Day," these two organisations achieve a most valuable (and, some think, most necessary) work in bringing all classes into touch with one another, so that (as Lady Stubbs has expressed it) "all sorts of angularities are rubbed off, and race and class prejudices are lessened."

The Ministering Children's League was extended to Hongkong at the instance of the Countess of Meath, who took a great interest in the movement. This was a good many years ago, when the Countess visited Hongkong with the Earl of Meath. Lady Lugard and Lady May warmly supported the scheme, which aimed at getting young folks here to do something for children at Home by working for hospitals, orphanages and similar institutions. Children here have so much done for them that it is really necessary for the formation of their characters that they should learn to do something, sometimes for others. Of course, children cannot organise bazaars of the size of the one to be held next Saturday, and it was a good idea, with the adoption of which Lady Stubbs has a good deal to do, that the Hongkong Women's Guild should be incorporated with the "M. C. L." and so let the grown-ups add their weight and contribute to greater achievements.

All the principal institutions and districts of the Colony are helpers towards the success of this annual bazaar, for which H. E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) and Lady Stubbs kindly lend practically the whole of Government House grounds. We may perhaps be permitted to particularise, in spite of the danger of omission. For example, the Naval and Dockyard Branch, have a stall which this year takes the form of H.M.S. Tamar and Tenders; the Military Branch occupies "The Fort," but will make no repelling defence, however vigorously bombarded with dollars and cents. The Police Force, Kowloon Dock and Tai-koo Dock, Kowloon itself, the Peak and Victoria, all have their stalls, from which an endless variety of articles of use and ornament, especially desirable at this season of Christmas gifts will be offered for the benefit of both the purchaser and the charitable purposes for which the bazaar is held.

The schools of the Colony will not be behindhand in this good work. St. Stephen's Girls' School and Bellis Girls' School each have very attractive stalls, the product mainly of the scholars' efforts. Miss Woo, assisted by practically the entire personnel of St. Paul's School, will again conduct the well known "Dollar Stall," where the element of chance is introduced as an additional bait to purchase the charming objects on view. This year there is to be a new feature, the Children's Club Stall, a recent development which aims at bringing the little people of the Colony together. In the Ball Room of Government House three successive cinematograph performances will be given during the fete. On the tennis courts, tea, like the mad Hatter's Tea Party, will be a continuous function, only it will be better conducted and delicious home-made cakes and delicacies will be a special attraction. Another novelty is to be a handsome programme, with a highly artistic cover designed by Mr. A. Kirk. This will form a most acceptable souvenir of the occasion. It will be sold in the town during the latter part of the week, and it is hoped that any who are not able to attend the Bazaar will give a handsome subscription in return for the souvenir programme. It should be added that the entrance to the grounds of Government House on this occasion will be by the motor drive opposite the principal gate of the Botanical Gardens. The gate in upper Albert Road, formerly used as an entrance, will be reserved as the exit. It is perhaps as well to state, also, that the charities aided by the Women's Guild and "M.C.L." are all well-known and thoroughly deserving of generous support.

THE INSECT WORLD.

A LECTURE ON FABRE'S WORK.

All who take an interest in natural history will give a high place among the elect to Jean Henri Fabre, the man who observed the insects in their homes, rivalling our own Lubbock in this close scrutiny of their domestic affairs, and whose writings, whether we read them in the original or the translations, are as fascinating as can be. At the Helena May Institute yesterday evening a section of Hongkong's citizens were treated to an able exposition on "The Fairyland of Fabre" by Colonel C. W. Davy, and those who had previously looked upon all insects merely as vermin must have revised their opinion before the lecture was over.

Col. Davy commenced with a brief sketch of Fabre's life, his early struggles, his wonderful work, and his fascinating stories of the life histories of various well-known insects. He exploded many of the superstitions connected with insects, such as the cicada, which a pretty French nursery rhyme depicts as singing all summer instead of storing food and then having to beg for sustenance from the ants in winter. Actually the cicada does not eat anything, depending on liquid refreshment during its short span of life in the sunshine following years as a grub underground. Another deceptive insect, Col. Davy mentioned, was the praying mantis, with its forelegs held in a pious attitude but of a most bloodthirsty nature. Those who like the writer of this comment have kept a Hongkong mantis in a glass-topped box and placed a cockroach in with it will know the real use to which the forelegs are put. Among other subjects touched on by the lecturer were the determination of sex in the case of bees and wasps, the wonderful, and unexplained, light of the firefly, the peculiarly sensitive attraction of a newly-emerged female moth for males in the neighbourhood (which is utilised by collectors of these insects), and the instinct of the females of the insect world which moves them to lay their eggs under circumstances most favourable to the coming grub. A number of lantern slides added to the interest of the lecture. The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie, who presided, moved a vote of thanks; and Mrs. Kemp, on behalf of the Helena May Institute committee, thanked Col. Davy for his proposed gift of several volumes of Fabre's translated works to the Institute, prior to his forthcoming departure from the Colony.

ITALIAN OPERA.

"LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR."

Enthusiastic rounds of clamorous applause at the Star Theatre last night bore testimony to the large audience's appreciation of the Italian Grand Opera Company's presentation of "Lucia di Lammermoor." In this opera, based on Scott's famous novel, "The Bride of Lammermoor," Maestro is responsible for some beautiful airs and some fine, rousing choruses. Sig. Giletta, as Sir Edgardo, was splendid. In the duets at the end of the first act with Mlle. Delza (as Lucy) there was a great appeal, and the house showed their appreciation in no half-hearted manner. Sig. Bigaret took the role of Henry Ashton with great success, furnishing a number of well-rendered items, while Sig. Georgiani, as Lord Arthur Bucklaw; Sig. Mancari, as Raymond; Mlle. Polastri, as Alivo; and Sig. Paterna, as Captain of the Guard, all contributed their quota to make the presentation the huge success it undoubtedly was. So hearty were the ovations that encores were given on occasions. The most popular items were probably the dramatic and thrilling sextette, "Sextette-Chi Mi Frena" towards the end of the second act, and Mlle. Delza's exquisite interpretation of the famous so-called mad scene in Act 3 (with flute obligato). The Italian Opera Company's presentation of this piece will long be remembered amongst the music-lovers of this Colony; it was a triumph.

To-night "La Boheme" is being staged.

For Saturday, a big musical offering is promised, "Rigoletto" at 2.30 p.m. and "Carmen" in the evening.

LAST NIGHT'S RECITAL.

MUSICAL TREAT AT
THEATRE ROYAL.

If during the coming winter Mr. Harry Ore can, with the assistance of local talent, give one or two more recitals like that given in the Theatre Royal last night he will undoubtedly deserve the thanks of Hongkong music-lovers. There was quite a good attendance and any amount of enthusiasm—man—enthusiasm justly evoked. In Mr. Ore the Colony has a pianist worthy of cordial support, and, furthermore, a composer of no mean merit.

To speak of Mr. Ore's contributions to the programme, one must first mention his opening piece, Beethoven's Variations in C minor, because its rendition set the standard of all that was to follow. It was superbly played, full thought it is of technical intricacies. And when one has said as much, there is little to add. There was a burst of applause to greet the conclusion of Scarlatti's Sonata in A, a work calling for a high degree of pianoforte skill and also for some delicate tonal shadings. Chopin's Grande Polonaise (op. 22), and a Gavotte in E, by Valentin-Ore concluded Mr. Ore's work in Part I, both compositions being rendered almost to perfection.

Mrs. Richard Sanger, a lady vocalist of whom it is hoped we shall hear much more, gave two extremely pleasing songs, the second, "Je t'aime" by Grieg, earning for her a persistently-demanded encore. Mrs. Sanger possesses a well-trained mezzo-soprano voice, well suited to the songs she had chosen.

The second part of the programme was composed entirely of Mr. Ore's own compositions. His Second Lullaby Rhapsody (op. 7) is a pretentious work but struck one as being a little disjointed. It calls for much technical talent, however. Very pleasing indeed were the two Portuguese Songs (op. 8), whilst the two Lullaby pieces (op. 9) proved dainty and tuneful, especially "The Little Orphan's Lullaby." A concert paraphrase on a Russian Polka was brilliant in its phrasing and was full of the verve of the dance. But the most appreciated item in this part of the programme was the Variations and Fugue on a Beethoven theme for two pianos, in which Mr. Ore had the assistance of Mrs. M. Bonenfant, a lady pianist of undoubted talent. Both in composition and execution the item ranked high among the treats of the evening.

In the final part, the audience were treated to three compositions by Mr. Temple Bevan, the first being a Fantasia (op. 7) played by Mr. Ore. It has artistic merit and is light in conception. But most enjoyed, perhaps, were the two songs of Mr. Bevan, sung by Mrs. N. Mathieson. The first "The Hay-loft" is a dainty and fanciful little poem, whilst "Fairy Bread" is full of the spirit of elfdom, so light and tuneful is it. Mr. Bevan has, in these two songs, written music that stamps him as a musician of great taste. Mrs. Mathieson,

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The boys who faced the Hell of It
And know what battles cost
Will not stand meekly by and see
Their mighty labours lost.

The Men who fought our battles
And watched their comrades die
Will see the dead did not in vain,
Or know the reason why.
And though the world is torn and racked
With suffering a-throb,
The Men who fought our battles
Are still upon the job.

And though Peace is a longer task,
They'll surely see it through.
Till all the dreams for which they fought—
Shall finally come true,
The spirit that was in their hearts
Has neither changed nor passed,
And the Men who fought the battles
Will win the Peace at last.

LOCAL MAN MISSING.

ALLEGED DISHONOURED
CHEQUES.

Two shipments of cargo that were despatched to America from Hongkong last week now form the subject of investigations by the police in an endeavour to clear up the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Charles Gardner, of the International Trading Company, Bank of China Building.

Police assistance was sought when two cheques that were signed by Gardner in payment for a consignment of pea-nut oil and rice are said to have been returned by the bank to the firms concerned, and attempts to get into touch with Gardner for an explanation have failed. Enquiries at his residence at Kennedy Road, where he had lived with his wife and family, were equally fruitless, and to-day a bailiff went to the International Trading Company and took possession.

The compradore of the International Trading Company this morning stated that a title deed which he had deposited with the firm as security for the amount of \$10,000 was missing.

In connection with the affair, the Tung Sang Wing firm of wholesale peanut oil exporters, which transacts business at No. 22 Connaught Road West, state that last week an order came from the International Trading Company for the delivery of 1,500 cases of oil. These cases were marked with the stencil bearing the initials of the firm in Seattle on whose behalf the shipment was ordered. The goods were duly shipped last Friday by an Admiral boat, and nothing out of the ordinary cropped up until a cheque was presented yesterday for the amount of \$23,246, but was returned by the Bank.

Similarly, the Wo Fung firm of rice exporters, of Connaught Road West, who had also shipped 1,000 bags of rice in two equal lots for different firms at San Francisco, on the order of the International Trading Co., of a value of \$13,000 had the cheque for this amount returned by the Bank.

What has happened to the money received before these shipments went out with documents showing the International Trading Company as consignors is now being investigated.

where renditions left nothing to be desired, also sang "Love Went a-Riding" by Frank Bridge, a song that asserts in a crescendo that love is all conquering. The concluding pieces were two compositions for two pianos played by Mrs. Bonenfant and Mr. Ore. The first, an Etude by Schumann-Debussy, was a charming little study in which tuneful and synchronous chords on both instruments blend to produce an appealing effect. The second, a Polonaise by Arensky, was brilliantly played and formed a fitting conclusion to what had been an evening of really first-class music.

TO-DAY'S
MISCELLANY.

A great sensation has been created by the announcement made by the Liquidators appointed by the Chancery Court that the 90,000 creditors of Bottomley's Victory Bonds will only receive a dividend of a fraction over 34d. in the £. These people, mostly poor, paid over their savings into this gigantic swindle. Of the total sum it appears that only a little more than £12,000 is available for dividends. At Bottomley's trial only about £200,000 was accounted for, so that well over half a million sterling has mysteriously disappeared, and all efforts to trace it have failed completely. It has been persistently alleged that Bottomley secretly deposited this money in France, but he has emphatically denied this, and there is no definite evidence to support the statement. The fact remains, however, that the money has disappeared.

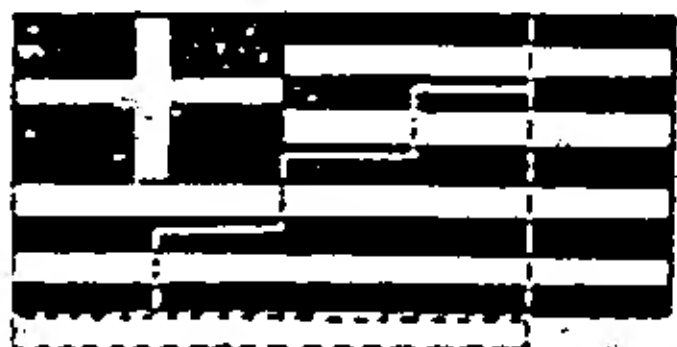
Away back in the days of Henry VI, the doctors, who were recently lighting the Ministry of Health, were engaged in a struggle just as strenuous. There is record of Gilbert Rymer, London's Doctor and Rector of Medicine, supported by two Surveyors of the Faculty of Physic and two Masters of the Craft of Surgery, bearding the Lord Mayor. They demanded the recognition of their organisation and the provision of a hall to discuss medicine and philosophy. Their organisation ensured that every member should be qualified and also arranged for the payment of fees. The poor were to be treated free, no excessive fees were to be charged, and each member should fit his charge to the purse of the patient and "measurably after the deserving of his labour." And more. These old-time practitioners sought power for their members to patrol the town and enter shops to seize "false or sophisticated medicines" and pour such concoctions down the gutters.

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AN UNREHEARSED ACT.

During the rehearsal of the opera "Boris Godounoff" at a Chicago Theatre, Signor Chaliapin was dissatisfied with the orchestra, and exploded into a torrent of invective, calling them "idiots," "pigs" and "no artists." The conductor, Signor Spadoni, climbed on the stage and punched Signor Chaliapin on the nose.

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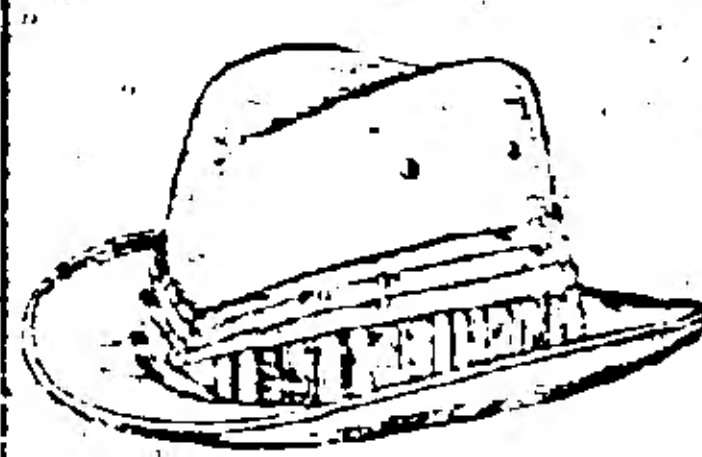
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This is the former wife of Maeterlinck, who says that romance is fatal to an artist.



Here are members of Texas' delegation to the American Legion convention. They're giving a little toast to California's far-famed hospitality. But the sparkling fluid in their glasses is not the old stuff, although they call it "near."



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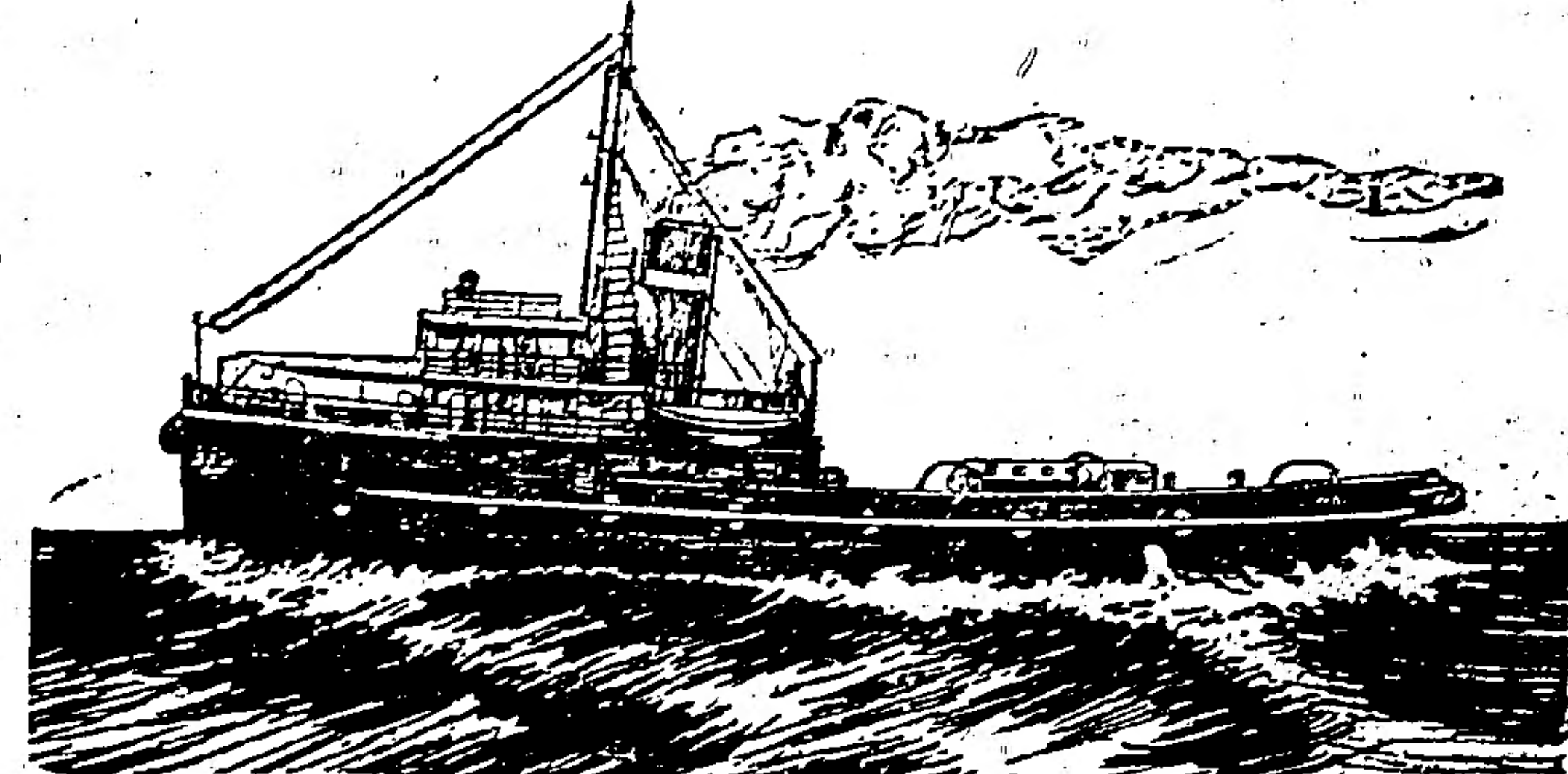
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SANDAKAN	Mausang	Thurs. 6th Dec. at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Taisang	Fri. 7th Dec. at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Suisang	Sat. 8th Dec. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Yusang	Sun. 9th Dec. at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Amoy & S'hai	Hosang	Mon. 10th Dec. at 7 a.m.
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Mr. McCallum represented two of the men and the woman, whilst the other defendants were represented by Messrs. A. E. Hall and T. G. Bennett. Inspector Appleton, with Sub-Inspector Lane and two district watchmen, raided the house to execute a search warrant for stolen property. In a room in which the four male defendants were ransacking of food Sub-Inspector Lane found a small bamboo stool on a blackwood settee. Under the stool was a bag which contained the arms in question. The woman was standing outside the cubicle when

the police entered and other incriminating articles were found among her effects. The revolvers and pistol were loaded, as also was the spare magazine. One of the revolvers and the pistol were issued by the police to the river steamer Chung On, which was sunk in the typhoon of August 19th. How the defendants came into possession of them is a mystery. The police gave evidence, after which the defendants were remanded.

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Should Robots have a soul? It is, however, Karel Capek's keen dramatic sense which is the life-blood of "R.U.R." and he may keep his questions and the answers to them, if only he shows us towering factories built by Robots sauntering on cranes, and Robots looming up gigantic at the window against a flaming sky, and Robots chanting their cry for a posterity as they advance in regular formation with rhythmic gestures.

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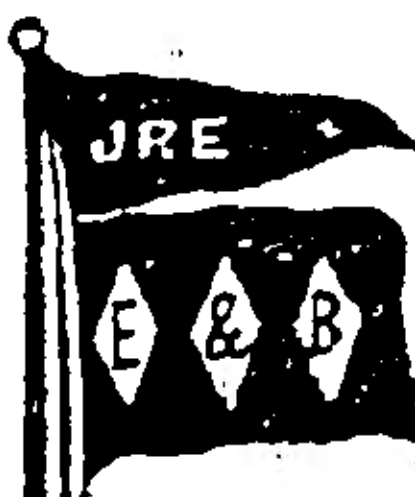
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